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DEATHS.

Rev. Thomas Reade died Jan. 5th, 1838, aged 89 years.

Sarah, his wife, died March 10th, 1822, aged 66 years.

Dr. John Magruder Reade died May 10th, 1822. (Ann Reade died in infancy, can't make out the date.)

James Read died July 10, 1854; Thomas Reade died June 5, 1853; Elizabeth Reade died Nov. 30, 1871; unmarried.

Died, June 17, 1762, Gwyn Reade, father of Rev. Thomas Reade. Dorothy, his wife, May, 1797.

MARRIAGES.

John Magruder Reade to Mary Ann Clarke, Nov. 9, 1802.

Susanna Reade to Alexander Suter, April 20th, 1815.

Robert Reade to Jane Lynn Lackland, Oct. 21, 1817.

Robert Reade to Frances Rebecca Davis, Nov. 12th, 1822.

BIRTHS.

Children of Dr. John M. Reade:

Gwynn Reade, born Mar. 9th, 1809.

Robert and Nelson Clarke Reade (date of birth not given).

The Rev. Henderson Suter, my father, was the youngest child of Susanna Reade and Alexander Suter.

There is in the possession of the family an old book in which is written "Robert Reade. Wm. & Mary College 1752."

WILL OF RICHARD AMBLER OF YORKTOWN.¹

In the name of God Amen I Richard Ambler of the Town & County of York in Virginia Merchant being of sound mind and disposing memory this twenty third day of January in the Year of our Lord Christ One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty five Do make and Declare this writing contained on one sheet of paper to be my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other former Wills

I give my sone Edward all those my Negroe Slaves and their encrease which were employed on my Plantation in Caroline County which Plantation was lately sold to Col^o John Baylor being Thirty seven Slaves old and young. And I give him all

¹From the *Ambler MSS.* in Library of Congress.

the Stocks of Cattle Horses Sheep and Hogs and the Plantation utensils—I give my said son Edward all my Negroe Slaves & their encrease which were employed on my Plantation on Taylor's Creek in Hanover County being Thirteen slaves old and young together with the Stock of Cattel and Plantation utensils the money for which the said Plantation was sold I have already given him

I give my said son Edward and to his Heirs forever my Plantation on Black Swamp in Warwick County and all my labouring Slaves usually employed thereon together with their encrease and also the Stocks of Cattel Horses Mules and Hogs with the Plantation Utensils

I give my said son Edward and his Heirs forever my dwelling house wherein I now live together with the Lots of Land whereon that and my Out houses and Stable stands also the Garden ground adjoining I give him likewise my Storehouse situate on the bank near the River

I give my son John One Acre of Land whereon is a Smith's Shop being part of Ten Acres which I bought of Captⁿ Gwyn Reade

I give my son Jaquelin the remaining nine acres of said Land to him and his Heirs forever and alsoe the One Acre after my son John's decease

I give to my son John and to his Heirs forever all my Lands in James Town Island which I purchased of Christopher Purkins also the Ferry house and Land belonging to it; out of the Rent of said Ferry he shall pay my son Jaquelin Twenty pounds Yearly during the Space of Ten years to commence from the time of my death, I give my said son John and to his Heirs for ever a small piece of Land near his House which I purchased of M^r Edw^d Travis who bought the same of M^r Drummond it formerly belonged to John Harris to whom M^r Sherrard sold it being part of three acres and an half which the said Sherrard bought of John Page Esquire

I give my said son John and to his Heirs forever my Plantation on Pohatan swamp which I purchased from his aunt M^{rs} Martha Jaquelin I give him also all the Negroe Slaves imployd thereon with the Stocks of Cattle

Richard Ambler

I give my Said Son John Three Leases of three hundred and ten Acres of Land situate in the Maine near James Town which I hold of the Gover^r at the yearly rent of Sixty two bushels of Corn I give my said son John all my Negroe Slaves which are imploy'd at James Town Island and the Main and also all their Negroe and Mulatta Children together with all the Stocks of Cattle Sheep Horses Mules and Hogs and Plantation utensils I give my said son John all the House furniture left in my House at James Town together with the Dairey Woman named Moll Cook, Negroe Hannah, Jupiter, Phillis, boy Cupil The three Carpenters viz^t Old Ben Mark and John I give my Son Jaquelin One thousand pounds Sterling in the hands of Mess^{rs} Athawes and Company of London I give my Son Jaquelin and to his Heirs for ever my Lot of Land and the Houses erected thereon situate between the Fort hill and Church yard now in the tenure of John Gibbons

I give my Son Jaquelin and to his Heirs forever One Acre of Land which joines to York Town part of the Acre is a garden on the other part are houses in the occupation of John Davis I give my Son Jaquelin two Negroe boys now on the Black swamp Plantation named Ned and George also two boys at York Town named George and Guy and old Ediths two Girles named Grace and Venis also my Negroe woman named Grace who is now sick I give my Son Edward all the furniture of my dwelling house He acquiting my promise of the House and Lot now in the tenure of John Gibbons which by this will I give my Son Jaquelin but if Son Edward insists on my said promise then I give my son Jaquelin all the furniture of my said Dwelling house, that is to say my Plate Beds Bedding Tables Chairs and all other Utensils belonging to my said dwelling house Kitchen and Stable My Stock in trade I mean all the Goods and Merchandise in the Store on hand and also all the Goods and Merchandise now sent for and expected in at the time of my death likewise all the Debts due to me by my Store book a List of which shall be taken and therein shall be included the balances due from my Son Edward and my Son John the amount of all which I give my Son Edward and Son Jaquelin to be equally divided between them and it is my request they carry on Trade

in partnership I give all my Bonds and Obligations which are not Entered in my Storebook to my said Sons Edward and Jaquelin to be equally divided between them—(turn over)

Richard Ambler

I give my Son John and to his Heirs for ever Two Acres of Land in James Town Isleland bounded to the South by the River to the north by the main road to the east by a smal Marsh which divides it from the ferry house Land which two Acres was given me by M^r Edw^d Jaquelin's Will Now I have given M^r John Smith and my Son Edward by Deed their Lives in the said two Acres. I give my Son Edward my Slaves under mentioned, to wit Old Edith, Peg Abel Will America, Sawney, Polly Jerry James Genney and the Carpenter named Sharper and His Son Named Ben I give to my Grandsons Edward and John Two boys named Ned and Scip[io?] also I give them little Edith and Pegs boy named Billy

I give my Grand daughters Sally & Molly Pegs youngest child named Hannah and Polly's child named Tamo

It is my desire that M^{rs} Martha Gooseley be paid out of my Store Goods the value of Twenty pounds in consideration of her care in attending my dear daughter in her last sickness if M^{rs} Gooseley should die then the twenty pounds be paid to her Children

As I have given my Estate amongst my Children (except a smal Legacy) and as I make them my Executors I desire they may not be compeled to give Security for the Administration of it Lastly I appoint my three Sons Edward, John, and Jaquelin Ambler Executors of this my last Will and Testament

Richard Ambler

Endorsed: Copy of my Will

RANSON FAMILY.¹

It is a mistake to suppose that the Ransone and Ransom families were the same. (See QUARTERLY X., 265.) They were entirely destinct.

I JAMES¹ RANSON made his will in Surry County, which was

¹Information obtained from family sources is put in parenthesis.